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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Art Unit: 1642
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Etsuro OGATA et al)	Examiner: A. Harris
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Appln. No.: 09/763,370)	Washington, D.C.
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Date Filed: February 21, 2001)	ATTY.'S DOCKET: OGATA=4
)	
For: METHOD OF DIAGNOSING BONE)	December 3, 2001
METASTASIS OF MALIGNANT...)	MONDAY

REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Replying to the Office Action of June 1, 2001,
petition for three months' extension of time and late fee
being attached hereto, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims by rewriting the claims in
amended form as follows (attached hereto is a marked-up
version of the changes made to the claims by the current
amendment. The attached version is captioned "Version with
Markings to Show Changes Made"):

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1. (Amended) A method of diagnosing metastasis of
malignant tumor to bone using both a marker that reflects the
activity of osteoblasts and a marker that reflects the action
of osteoclasts, whereby the amelioration of bone metastasis
or therapeutic effect and the degree of the exacerbation of
bone metastasis are diagnosed correctly by monitoring said